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DIARY NOTES

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1. I noted in one of [REDACTED] legislative diaries that Colonel Dillon, a consultant to the House Science and Astronautics Committee, had indicated that they intended to ask us questions about our total research effort which to me seemed inappropriate to answer. I spoke to John about this and he assured me that Colonel Dillon had been satisfied without being given answers to these specific questions.

2. At the Deputies' Meeting:

a. The Director indicated that he had had a great influx of letters addressed to him personally from people seeking employment with the Agency since the U-2 incident. (I checked with Gordon Stewart who said that while they have had an influx of "odd ball" letters since this event they could not detect any increase in general bona fide applications that could be attributed to the publicity growing out of the U-2 incident.)

b. The Director read the memorandum on the strength of the [REDACTED] and indicated that he thought we ought to cut down on the size of this Station. However, he also indicated that he did not propose to go back for any further briefing of Congressman Mahon.

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c. The Director signed off on our construction project [REDACTED]. I explained that the source of the funds would be his Special Projects Fund. Neither Bob Amory nor Dick Bissell voiced any objection to this and the Director approved. (I, therefore, asked Ed Saunders to consult with the appropriate staff members of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees. Kenneth Sprankle and Samuel Crosby of the House felt that they would like to go [REDACTED] and arrangements are being made for them to accompany the Civil Service Commissioners on Tuesday. If this is not possible they will be [REDACTED] Wednesday morning for a tour of the [REDACTED]

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d. The Director announced that Lyman Kirkpatrick would be back on 14 June in order to assume the Chairmanship of the Task Force on Intelligence Coordination which the Bureau of the Budget has been pushing for some time.

e. The Director also announced that as a matter of interest since the U-2 incident he had received 110 letters on this subject, 69 of which were favorable and 41 not favorable.

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3. [REDACTED] were in to see me for a few minutes. Jake is off on a trip and merely wanted to express his complete satisfaction with the support he is receiving in connection with [REDACTED]

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4. Ed Saunders tells me that it is his understanding that [REDACTED] is being transferred to the [REDACTED] in DD/P, and, from this position, proposes to continue to administer CENIS amounting to \$250,000 and external research amounting to \$80,000. I agreed to discuss this with General Cabell inasmuch as this does not appear to be an appropriate location from which to administer these projects. In fact, I think that they should be administered by DD/I.

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7. [REDACTED] telephoned to say that Jim Garrison had requested a military replacement for [REDACTED]. I asked him to tell Jim that requisitions for military personnel to fill supergrade positions must be cleared with me and that they should not go forward until I had given the okay.

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8. [REDACTED] called to recommend [REDACTED] as the new Deputy Director of Personnel. I told him that I would like to look into this before making a final commitment but that I had anticipated that Harry might be nominated.

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NOTE: An extract of paragraph 2.b. was made and forwarded to the Comptroller on 25 May 1960. (See DD/S 60-2080.)

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